GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Department for Women, Children, Differently Abled and Senior Citizens – Women and Children Welfare - Swechha Programme - Supply of Sanitary Napkins to all Adolescent Girls from 7th class to 12th class in all Government Schools, Junior Colleges and Residential Institutions in the State - Orders - Issued.

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Department for Women, Children, Differently Abled and Senior Citizens (Prog.I)

G.O.MS.No. 6 Dated: 08-03-2021.
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From the Director, Women Development and Child Welfare, A.P., Guntur, letter dated 07.03.2021.

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ORDER:

In order to ensure affordable access to Health and Menstrual Hygiene to Adolescent Girls and Women, Government has decided to launch the "Swechha" Programme with the following 2 components:

1. **Free supply of 10 Sanitary Napkins per month per child** to every adolescent girl studying in Classes 7th to 12th in all Government Schools, Junior Colleges and Residential Institutions in the State from next Academic Session.
2. **Positioning of good quality branded Sanitary Napkins** in all YSR Cheyutha Stores in Urban and Rural areas to be provided on affordable rates to women.

2. The free distribution of Sanitary Napkins to adolescent girls will be done through Government Schools, Junior Colleges and Residential Institutions. One lady teacher/lecturer shall be identified in every school/ college by the School Education Department as in-charge for implementing the ***"Swechha"*** Programme. She will be responsible for maintaining stocks in the school and distributing to girl students as per norms. She will also ensure that children are taught methods of safe disposal of the used napkins and they should implement the same.

3. The Department of Women Development and Child Welfare will be the Nodal Department for implementation of the programme. The Departments of School Education, Health & Family Welfare, Social Welfare, Tribal Welfare, Backward Classes Welfare, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development and Municipal Administration and Urban Development shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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